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TO: ELG Members
FROM: Laura Sankey, Staff Attorney
DATE: September 21, 2015
RE: Addendum to Administrative Rule Review – September 2015

This addendum is intended to inform committee members about the recent rulemaking activity that has taken place since the meeting packets for the September meeting were mailed out.

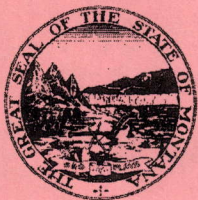
BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

MAR Notice No. 10-57-274: The Board of Public Education is proposing rule amendments that will be published in the September 24 edition of the Montana Administrative Register. The proposals would amend rules regarding certain classes of educator license endorsements.

The amendments to ARM 10.57.412, the rule for endorsements for Class 1 and Class 2 standard and professional teacher licenses, would delete the phrase "student teaching" as a redundancy and would allow a waiver of the current requirement for supervised teaching experience. The statement of reasonable necessity explains that this waiver is necessary when the person applying for an endorsement has already completed a supervised teaching experience through the applicant's previous work in an educator preparation program. Additionally, for a special education P-12 endorsement, the amendments substitute completion of an NCATE or CAEP accredited professional educator preparation program for the current requirement of a bachelor's degree.

For ARMs 10.57.425 and 10.57.426, both of which address endorsements for Class 5 provisional licenses, the amendments clarify that the required bachelor's degree must be from a regionally accredited college or university.

Proposal Notice: The Board will hold a public hearing on these amendments on October 27, 2015. The deadline for public comment is 5pm on October 27, 2015.



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TO: ELG Members
FROM: Laura Sankey, Staff Attorney
DATE: September 9, 2015
RE: Administrative Rule Review – September 2015

The following administrative rulemaking action has taken place since the committee last met in July:

PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED RULES THAT HAVE BEEN ADOPTED

MAR Notice No. 10-57-273: The amendments to rules regarding educator licensure have been adopted with some minor changes to the proposed amendments. The changes incorporate suggestions made at the rule hearing and by written public comment submitted to the Board of Public Education.

MAR Notice No. 10-63-272: The amendment to the rule setting requirements for preschool hours was adopted and took effect on July 31, 2015. The Board did not receive any public comment on the amendment.

UPDATES ON NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING COMMITTEES

ARTS: Committee members have been selected for the negotiated rulemaking committee being convened to review the arts content standards. A list of committee members is available on the Office of Public Instruction's website [here](#). The committee held its first meeting in Helena on August 26.

HEALTH ENHANCEMENT: The committee members have been selected for the committee reviewing the health and physical education content standards. The list of committee members is posted [here](#). The committee is set to convene its first meeting on September 30 in Helena.

OIL & NATURAL GAS FUNDS DISTRIBUTION: The Office of Public Instruction anticipates announcing the committee membership by Friday, September 11.